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(PATENT)**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In re Patent Application of:****Ravinder S. DHALLAN**

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For: METHODS FOR DETECTION OF GENETIC DISORDERS Examiner: E. Whisenant

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed November 1, 2005, for which a response is due on December 1, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-152 and 156-180 for continued examination. In addition, prior to examination on the merits please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.